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Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2139-S2167

Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 513–517, and S. Res. 58.

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Measures Reported:

S. 350, to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to promote the cleanup and reuse of brownfields, to provide financial assistance for brownfields revitalization, to enhance State response programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 107–2)

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Measures Passed:

Printing Authority: Senate agreed to S. Res. 58, to authorize the printing of a collection of the rules of the committees of the Senate.

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Bankruptcy Reform: Senate resumed consideration of S. 420, to amend title 11, United States Code, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Schumer Amendment No. 25, to ensure that the bankruptcy code is not used to exacerbate the effects of certain illegal predatory lending practices.

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Feinstein Modified Amendment No. 27, to place a \$2,500 cap on any credit card issued to a minor, unless the minor submits an application with the signature of his parents or guardian indicating joint liability for debt or the minor submits financial information indicating an independent means or an ability to repay the debt that the card accrues.

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Leahy Amendment No. 20, to resolve an ambiguity relating to the definition of current monthly income.

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Conrad Modified Amendment No. 29, to establish an off-budget lockbox to strengthen Social Security and Medicare. Pages S2142, S2153-54, S2156-57

Sessions Amendment No. 32, to establish a procedure to safeguard the surpluses of the Social Security and Medicare hospital insurance trust funds.

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Wellstone Amendment No. 35, to clarify the duties of a debtor who is the plan administrator of an employee benefit plan.

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Wellstone Amendment No. 36, to disallow certain claims and prohibit coercive debt collection practices. Pages \$2144-46

Wellstone Amendment No. 37, to provide that imports of semifinished steel slabs shall be considered to be articles like or directly competitive with taconite pellets for purposes of determining the eligibility of certain workers for trade adjustment assistance under the Trade Act of 1974. Pages S2144-46

Kennedy Amendment No. 38, to allow for reasonable medical expenses. Pages \$2147-49

Kennedy Amendment No. 39, to remove the dollar limitation on retirement savings protected in bankruptcy. Pages \$2149-52, \$2157

Collins Amendment No. 16, to provide family fishermen with the same kind of protections and terms as granted to family farmers under chapter 12 of the bankruptcy laws.

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Leahy Amendment No. 41, to protect the identity of minor children in bankruptcy proceedings.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Wednesday, March 14, 2001. Pages \$2146-47

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for a vote on or in relation to Feinstein Modified Amendment No. 27 and Kennedy Amendment No. 39 (both listed above), occur beginning at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, March 13, 2001. Page S2159

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached that all first degree amendments must be filed by 1 p.m., on Tuesday, March 13, 2001. Page S2167

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the resolution on Tuesday, March 13, 2001. Page S2167

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